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A scalable technique for best-match of sequential information using metric- guided search

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A new technique is described for retrieving information by finding the best match between a textual 'query' and a textual database. The technique uses principles of a measure of probability to guide the search and prune the search tree. Unlike comparing strings, the method gives a set of alternative matches, graded by the matching achieved.

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